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MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Officer, OSA

SUBJECT: Itek Camera for U-2

REFERENCE: Memo for DD/R from AD/OEA, dtd 19 Apr 63, Subj: Longer Focal Length Cameras for U-2 [Redacted] (Attached)

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1. In pursuing the front office's request to prepare a memorandum for Dr. Scoville's signature to the DMRG quoting a price tag which two such cameras, as reviewed in the attached document, would cost, I feel that it is not a simple task of taking the price of one and multiplying by two. You will note in the attached document that there is considerable government furnished equipment available which may be incorporated in the single proposed camera. This same type government equipment is not available for a second camera.

2. Development Division at this moment is scurrying about with Itek on a crash basis to determine what can be done, and how soon, in preparing two cameras for U-2 use. At the same time John B. has asked Itek to consider the employment of two cameras in our vehicle thus providing us with stereo coverage. [Redacted]

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[Redacted] is researching the possibility of taking an Itek camera earmarked for CORONA and using it for the U-2 package. If this is possible we will, of course, at a later date be obliged to replace the CORONA camera.

3. When I get the answers to all these variables, I will be glad to prepare the memorandum you have requested.

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Chief, Program Staff
(Special Activities)

Attachment

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